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TO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - WORLD AIRWAYS CHARTER FLIGHT

REF : ADDIS ABABA 6397

1. WORLD REP HERE INFORMS US FLIGHT (REFTEL) IS SCHEDULED TO OPERATE JUNE 26 DEPARTING FROM WASHINGTON, D. C. IT IS A SINGLE ENTITY CHARTER PAID FOR BY USG TO TRANSPORT 250 MEMBERS OF PEACE CORPS. 88 OF THESE WILL DEPLANE AT FRANKFURT AND REMAINING 162 WILL PROCEED ON TO ADDIS.

2. EMBASSY SHOULD APPROACH CAA TO REQUEST APPROVAL OF THIS FLIGHT. NO DIVERSION FROM SCHEDULED SERVICE OF ETHIOPIAN CARRIER INVOLVED SINCE THIS USG FUNDED TRAVEL ON CHARTER CONTRACTED BY USG. FLIGHT IS TO BE OPERATED BY US CARRIER FROM POINT OF ORIGIN IN US TO ETHIOPIA. PASSENGERS ARRIVING ARE TRAVELING WASHINGTON TO ADDIS, NOT FRANKFURT- ADDIS. EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES OF FLIGHT CONTRACTED BY USG, FACT THAT IT NOT NORMAL COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC; AND NEED TO CONSERVE LIMITED PEACE CORPS FUNDS BY USE OF CHARTER MAY ALSO BE CITED.

3. PLEASE ADVISE RESULTS OF APPROACH TO CAA. RUSH

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